

A HORRIBLE ACCIDENT

Two Trains Crash Together in the Middle of a Tunnel.

DEAD AND ROASTED BODIES

Six People Killed and a Number Receive Fearful Injuries—Carelessness and a Dense Fog the Cause.

NEW YORK, Feb. 20.—A horrible accident occurred early this morning in the middle of a railway tunnel through Fourth avenue near Eighty-fifth street, resulting in the death of six people and painful injury to several more. The Boston express which had been emptied of passengers was moving slowly through the tunnel toward the shops, where it was to be cleaned. There was a dozen or more car cleaners on board. The fog was dense and the New Haven accommodation train which left the grand central station soon after came up at a high rate of speed and crashed into the rear of the other train, completely demolishing the two last cars. They took fire almost immediately. The smoke pouring up through an opening in the roof of the tunnel attracted the attention of policemen and fire engines were quickly on the scene. The flames were extinguished as soon as possible, and then the work of rescue began. As the firemen began clearing away the debris the sight was awful. Dead and roasted bodies in all conceivable attitudes were found. One man was still alive when taken out but died in a few minutes. Every fresh body brought out steamed as if it had been parboiled. The dead are:

Mrs. NELLIE SUPPLE,
JOHN HANCKE,
JOHN MURRAY,
JAMES FLYNN, car cleaner,
H. KILLIAN, train boy, and an unknown man burned beyond recognition, supposed to be a colored sleeping car porter.
David Culbertson, W. D. Brown, and another employee named Rankin are badly but not fatally hurt.

Engineer Fowler of the New Haven train was committed without bail. Both he and the fireman assert the block signals were set for a clear track, the lights on the rear of the Boston train had been extinguished and the fog was too dense for them to see it.

IN SENATE AND HOUSE.

The Nicaragua Canal Bill Taken Up in the Senate.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 20.—A large number of pension bills on the calendar passed. The Nicaragua canal bill was taken up. Vest, in opposing the bill, said if Great Britain assumed that the Clayton-Bulwer treaty was in existence, and the senate had no intimation that it was not, then it was fair to assume that the government of Great Britain would act as the government of the United States would act under similar circumstances. If Great Britain should in spite of the Clayton-Bulwer treaty undertake to build a canal across the isthmus without the consent of the United States, would Great Britain be satisfied when told that her conduct as to Belize and the Mosquito coast had destroyed the Clayton-Bulwer treaty? If the senators were prepared to say to the British empire that they would determine the question without any reference to her interests or wishes, then let them say that, and accept what would be the consequences; if not war, a condition of animosity, antagonism and distrust which would operate injuriously on the interests of both countries, and of the world.

Edmunds asked if Vest thought the bill in violation of any obligation of the United States toward Great Britain, or any other foreign country.
(Vest) "I think," said Vest, "unless Great Britain has itself abrogated the treaty, this does." The remainder of Vest's speech was devoted to an argument that the interests of the United States were sacrificed to those of concessionaries of the canal company, who had organized among themselves a construction company with which the Maritime company made contracts.

Morgan explained if the work had to be done by a company, it would cost, (as the bonds would have to be sold at 60 per cent, and interest have to be paid on stock while the work was in progress), \$24,000,000, while under the pending bill the cost would exceed \$100,000,000. So, instead of shippers having to pay \$9.50 a ton, they would not have to pay more than \$1 a ton.

Stewart gave notice of an amendment providing the chief of engineers of the army shall have supervision and control of the construction of the canal and the work be subject to the laws, rules and regulations of congress or the war department. Davis opposed the bill. The pending proposition was, in plain terms, a subsidy to the extent of \$100,000,000 to build a work lying entirely out of the national domain, and traversing a foreign country. It was his opinion, if the canal was to be constructed at all, it should be done by the government directly, like any other work of public improvement.

Edmunds spoke in defense and advocacy of the bill, and without action the senate adjourned.

In the House.

Cannon reported from the committee on rules a resolution for the immediate consideration of business reported by the committee on judiciary, the first bill to be one for the relief of the supreme court by the senate amendments. After an ineffectual effort by Blount and Breckenridge to defeat the resolution, Cannon took the floor, stating he would say a few words as to the merits of the proposition. McMillan of Tennessee inquired whether Cannon's object was not the prevention of the forty minute debate allowed under the rules. Cannon replied in the affirmative. In view of the dilatory motions already made on the democratic side under the lead of McMillan the republicans accepted the notice from that side that it did not desire to facilitate business. McMillan said the democrats would meet Cannon's programme at every point. Blount moved to recommitt the resolution, and, on the yeas and nays, a great body of democrats left the hall. The vote resulted: Yeas 12, nays 152, the clerk noting a quorum. The question then recurred on a demand for the previous question, and having demanded the yeas and nays, McMillan called the democrats from the cloak room to his support. Having obeyed the signal long enough to accom-

plish McMillan's object, the democrats once more disappeared. The motion was carried by a vote of 152 to 8, a quorum being noted. The resolution was then agreed to, 155 to 4, and the court bill immediately taken up. The senate amendments were non-concurred in and a conference ordered.

The house substitute for the bill fixing salaries for United States district judges was withdrawn, leaving the senate bill in its original form, providing that salaries shall be \$5,000 per annum. McMillan offered an amendment reducing the salaries to \$4,000. To this J. D. Taylor offered an amendment providing the salaries shall be increased \$500. No quorum voted and the house took a recess.

STOCKS AND BONDS.

Up and Down in Market Values on the Stock Exchange.

NEW YORK, Feb. 20.—The interruption of telegraphic communication over a large portion of the country rendered the transactions in the stock market to-day the smallest for a year. The final changes were small fractional advances with no material improvement anywhere.

Government bonds, steady.

Closing stocks:

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| U. S. 4's registered | 120 1/2 | Northwestern | 16 1/2 |
| U. S. 4's coupon | 121 1/2 | N. W. preferred | 16 1/2 |
| U. S. 4's reg. | 121 1/2 | N. Y. Central | 101 1/2 |
| U. S. 4's coupon | 121 1/2 | Oregon Imp. | 27 1/2 |
| Pacific 6's | 109 | Oregon Short Line | 21 1/2 |
| Atchafalaya | 27 1/2 | Oregon Nav. | 24 |
| American Express | 116 1/2 | North American | 18 |
| Canada Pacific | 74 1/2 | Transcontinental | 22 1/2 |
| Canada Southern | 60 1/2 | Pacific Mail | 87 1/2 |
| Central Pacific | 50 | Reading | 23 1/2 |
| Burlington | 81 1/2 | Rio Grand West | 26 1/2 |
| Lackawanna | 28 1/2 | Rio Grande P'd. | 49 |
| Denver & R. G. | 34 1/2 | Rio Grande P'd. | 49 |
| D. L. & W. | 109 1/2 | Rock Island | 47 1/2 |
| El Paso | 109 1/2 | St. Paul | 75 1/2 |
| Kansas & Texas | 17 1/2 | St. Paul & Omaha | 24 1/2 |
| Lake Shore | 111 1/2 | Texas Pacific | 14 1/2 |
| Louis & Nash | 75 1/2 | Union Pacific | 41 1/2 |
| Mexican Central | 12 1/2 | U. P. preferred | 75 1/2 |
| Michigan Central | 12 1/2 | N. E. Express | 40 |
| Missouri Pacific | 60 1/2 | Fargo Express | 40 |
| Northern Pacific | 28 1/2 | Western Union | 81 1/2 |
| N. P. preferred | 72 1/2 | Am. Cotton Oil | 24 |

Boston Stock Market.
BOSTON, Feb. 20.—The following were the closing quotations:

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| Atch & Pac 1st 75 | 28 1/2 | Mex. Cen. Com. | 21 1/2 |
| " 2nd 75 | 28 1/2 | " bond scrip. | 21 1/2 |
| " 3rd 75 | 28 1/2 | " 1st mort. bds | 21 1/2 |
| Burlington | 81 1/2 | " San Diego | 18 |

Petroleum Market.
NEW YORK, Feb. 20.—Petroleum, March closed at 76 1/2.

Money Market.
NEW YORK, Feb. 20.—Money on call easy; closed offered at 3 per cent.
Prime mercantile paper, 5 1/2 per cent.
Sterling Exchange—Quiet, steady; 60-day bill, \$4.55 1/2; demand, \$4.57 1/2.
Bar silver—87 1/2.

London Money Market.
LONDON, Feb. 20.—Closing: Consols: Money, 97 1/2; account, 97 3/4; United States 4s, 122 1/2; 4 1/2s, 104 1/2.

Boston Wool Market.
BOSTON, Feb. 20.—Territorial wools continue in demand, sales fine on account basis, 60¢; fine medium, 57¢; 60; medium, 55¢; Cal. and Oregon, steady.

New York Wool Market.
NEW YORK, Feb. 20.—Wool firm; domestic fleece, 34¢; 37¢.

Philadelphia Wool Market.
PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 20.—Wool firm; Montana, 20¢; 24¢; territory, 16¢; 22¢.

THE NEW YORK MARKET.

Closing Quotations for Metals and Mining Stocks.

NEW YORK, Feb. 20.—The closing quotations for to-day are:

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| American Flag | 8 50 | Homestake | 8 50 |
| Alcoa | 1 45 | Horn silver | 3 10 |
| Adams Con. | 1 45 | Helena | 1 45 |
| Aspen | 5 50 | Holbrook | 1 45 |
| Amador | 1 40 | Ind. Con. | 1 40 |
| Belle Isle | 1 40 | Iron Silver | 1 40 |
| Belcher | 1 40 | Mexican | 2 30 |
| Beaumont | 2 30 | Mono | 2 30 |
| Bodie | 1 20 | Mutual | 1 20 |
| Brunswick | 1 20 | North Star | 1 20 |
| Chollar | 1 20 | New C. Coal | 1 20 |
| Colorado | 1 20 | North Belle Isle | 1 20 |
| Cal. & Va. | 4 00 | N. Con. wealth | 1 20 |
| Columbia | 1 00 | Ontario | 3 25 |
| Commonwealth | 1 00 | Ore. Int'l. | 1 25 |
| Consolidated | 1 00 | Plymouth | 1 25 |
| Consolidated | 1 00 | Potosi | 1 25 |
| Consolidated | 1 00 | Phoenix, Ariz. | 2 10 |
| Consolidated | 1 00 | Savage | 2 10 |
| Consolidated | 1 00 | Sierra Nevada | 3 00 |
| Consolidated | 1 00 | Standard | 1 50 |
| Consolidated | 1 00 | Sutter Creek | 1 10 |
| Consolidated | 1 00 | Small Hope | 1 10 |
| Consolidated | 1 00 | St. M. L. V. | 2 20 |
| Consolidated | 1 00 | Union Con. | 2 20 |
| Consolidated | 1 00 | Yellow Jacket | 2 05 |

Copper, Tin and Lead.
NEW YORK, Feb. 20.—Copper—Nominal; Lake, February, \$14.25.
Lead—Steady; Domestic, \$4.35.
Tin—Easy; Straits, \$19.85.

WILL MAKE A STRONG FIGHT.

Judge Claggett on His Way to Washington to Contest Dubois' Seat.

Special to the Standard.

BOISE CITY, Feb. 19.—To-morrow is the sixtieth day of the legislative session, and many are the opinions as to what is the proper course to pursue. A joint convention of both houses was held this afternoon and it seemed to be the unanimous opinion that this was a special session, having been called by proclamation of the governor, and it being the first special session was under the constitution and was unlimited. It was fully decided to send a member to the state auditor on the sixtieth day to draw pay for that day, and if refused, to mandamus that officer in order to obtain a decision from the supreme court if it is a special session. Both houses adjourned till to-morrow out of respect to the memory of General Sherman and Admiral Porter.

It appears that a halt must be called on extravagant appropriations at last. The financial committee of the senate and the house ways and means committee have drawn up a balance sheet which shows the highest amount which can be raised under the constitution is \$255,000. The amount of appropriations thus far raised is \$265,595, an excess of appropriations over revenues of \$11,595, and there are many other appropriation bills that have passed one or the other house. This is a bad showing.

The Teton company bill has been indefinitely postponed in the house. There are 93 bills on the house calendar, many of them very important, although 60 days have gone by in session.

Judge Claggett has gone to Washington with his credentials. They have been signed by the president of the senate, speaker of the house, and by Governor Willey. Secretary of State A. J. Pinkham refused to affix the state seal. The governor's signature was attested by Jonas W. Brown, a notary public, and then a certificate from the secretary of state

with the impression of the great seal thereon was attached, certifying that Mr. Brown was at that time a notary public. Claggett will make a strong fight for the place, as if there is any chance at all to win it pretty near getting there.

BEST IN THE STATE.

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BOZEMAN, Feb. 19.—A special correspondent of the *Castle Reporter* writes: "Bozeman is one of the oldest towns of the state and is situated in one of the finest valleys in the world, where everything which can be produced in the Northwest grows in such abundance that few localities can equal it. It contains, we should say, 2,500 or 3,000 people, is regularly laid out and solidly and handsomely built. In the character of its business houses and dwellings, in the extent of its business and the public spirit of its citizens it stands among the first of our cities. The finest hotel of the state is just being completed and opposite it is an opera house that would do great credit to a much larger place."

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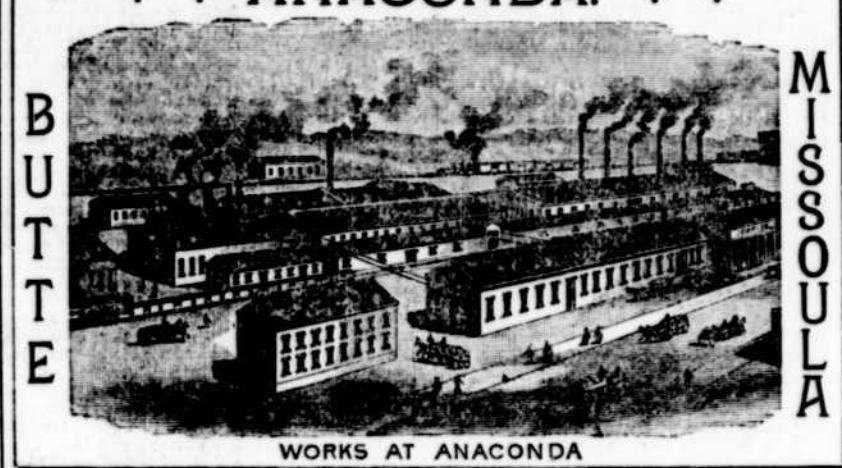
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